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Amendment under 37 CFR 1.312

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Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A card medium which records information as an optically readable coded image,

wherein said coded image contains: (i) record location information indicative of a record location at which said coded
5 image is recorded on said card medium, and (ii) information regarding a name of an additional card medium which records an additional coded image to be subsequently read by a user.

2. (Previously Presented) The card medium according to claim 1, wherein said record location information comprises an element of a physical format of said coded image.

3. (Previously Presented) The card medium according to claim 2, wherein said coded image comprises a plurality of blocks, each of which includes:

an information area containing divided information into
5 which said information is divided;

a marker area including a marker to allow recognition of each of said blocks; and

a block ID area containing block ID information to identify each of said blocks,



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wherein said areas are located in accordance with
predetermined relative positions of said areas, and

wherein said block ID information also functions as said
record location information.

4. (Previously Presented) The card medium according to
claim 1, wherein said record location information comprises an
element of a logical format of said coded image.

5. (Previously Presented) A coded image reading apparatus
for optically reading a coded image from a card medium which
records information as an optically readable coded image,

wherein the coded image contains: (i) record location
5 information indicative of a record location at which the coded
image is recorded on said card medium, and (ii) information
regarding a name of an additional card medium which records an
additional coded image to be subsequently read by a user;

said apparatus including:

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image inputting means for inputting the coded image;
record location information obtaining means for
obtaining the record location information from the coded image
input by said image inputting means;

medium information obtaining means for obtaining the
15 information regarding the name of the additional card medium from



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the coded image input by said image inputting means, based on the record location information obtained by the record location information obtaining means; and

outputting means for outputting for the user the
20 information regarding the name of the additional card medium.

Claims 6-9 (Canceled).

10. (Currently Amended) A The coded image reading apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the coded image comprises a plurality of blocks, each of which includes:

an information area containing divided information into
5 which the information is divided;

a marker area including a marker to allow recognition of each of the blocks; and

a block ID area containing block ID information to identify each of the blocks,

10 wherein the areas are located in accordance with predetermined relative positions of the areas,

wherein the block ID information also functions as the record location information, and

wherein said record location ~~determining~~ information
15 obtaining means includes a reference table which shows a



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correspondence between the record location information and the block ID information.

Claims 11-14 (Canceled).

15. (Previously Presented) The card medium according to claim 1, wherein the coded image further includes additional record location information indicative of a record location on the additional card medium, at which the additional coded image to be subsequently read by the user is recorded.

16. (Currently Amended) ~~A card medium~~ The coded image reading apparatus according to claim 5, wherein:

the coded image further includes additional record location information indicative of a record location on the additional
5 card medium, at which the additional coded image to be subsequently read by the user is recorded;

the medium information obtaining means obtains the information regarding the name of the additional card medium and the additional record location information indicative of the
10 record location on the additional card medium, from the coded image input by the image inputting means, based on the record location information obtained by the record location information obtaining means; and

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the outputting means outputs for the user the information
15 regarding the name of the additional card medium and the record
location information indicative of the record location on the
~~another~~ additional card medium.